

In The Specification

Please amend the specification at page 26, line 13 through page 27, line 18:

The following is a description of the method of use of a preferred embodiment of the present invention. As shown in Fig. 11, a user arrives at the inventive system homepage at step 1110. Alternatively, a user arrives at a third party site and clicks on a representation of the system, such as an icon, button and/or text that links to the inventive system at 1115. The system inquires if the user is registered at 1120. If the user is registered with the inventive system, the system asks the user to input the Master Authentication Credentials for the system at 1130. Once authenticated, the user is taken to the personal homepage and database wherein the user can view the personalized vault, within the system at 1140 containing authenticated links for third party Web sites and user profile data, and from there may go link to a “preferred” selected third party Web site at 1141. At step 1150, the inventive system retrieves the Authentication Credentials necessary for that ~~preferred~~ selected Web site, opens a new browser window in which to view the third party Web site, securely transmits the Authentication Credentials for that particular site and thus logs the user onto the respective Web site. Thereafter, the user is enabled to conduct many types of e-commerce, online visits, such a purchasing a product, receiving information, or anything known to those skilled in the art, shown in step 1160.

~~This~~ The user may also input into the inventive system the Authentication Credentials for third party web sites at step 1142, or may ask to be automatically registered for ~~business-affiliated~~ third party sites at step 1143. If the user requests to input into the inventive

system the Authentication Credentials for third party sites at step 1142, the system encrypts and stores the inputted Authentication Credentials for the third party sites at step 1144. If the user requests automatic registration at one or more third party sites, the system registers the user at the third party site(s), creates an account for the user at the third party site(s) and generates Authentication Credentials for each third party site at step 1146. Once registered with any of these the third party sites by the inventive system, the system encrypts and stores the Authentication Credentials and the user's personal homepage and database are is updated to include these newly registered sites as "preferred" sites at step 1144, and the . The user may then go to one of these sites at step 1145, which takes the method to step 1150, discussed above. Once logged onto a third party Web site, the user is able to visit walled gardens and/or transact e-commerce at step 1160. If, on the other hand, in step 1120, the user has not registered with the inventive system, the system will ask the user to register by creating a user profile and inputting Master Authentication ~~credentials~~ Credentials for the system at step 1170. Once registered and authenticated with the system, the system creates a personal homepage and database for the user at step 1180. The user may then link to third party Web sites, enter Authentication Credentials for third party sites, and/or have the system automatically register the user for sites, etc. as shown and discussed above at ~~step~~ steps 1141-1160.